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For: USE OF RHEIN IN A THERAPEUTIC	)	
TREATMENT REQUIRING AN	)	
INCREASE IN HEME OXYGENASE	)	
LEVELS	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: